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- 1. The Instituto Cultural Hispana-Americana de Madrid (ICHAM-Hispano-American Cultural Institute of Madrid), which was organized this year in Madrid, Soain, reportedly has branches in Argentina, Mexico, and Cuba for the purpose of spreading pro-Franco propaganda throughout Latin America. It is the intention of the ICHAM to establish branches in all latin American countries, with the largest organizations in Buenos Aires, Mexico City, and Habana. The Institute in Madrid plans to send a representative at least once a month from Spain to each of the countries where there are branches,
- 2. In the past few months, Joaquin Ruiz Jimenez, the President of the ICHAM, has traveled widely in Latin America. In Buenos Aires, he established the Instituto Cultural Hispanica y Argentina, which is a branch of the ICHAM. The group in Buenos Aires has a printing press, libraries, and radio facilities. In Mexico City, the Instituto Cultural Hispana-Mexicana, with printing press and libraries, was established by Ruiz Jimenez as a branch of the ICHAM.
- 3. Ruiz Jimenez, who departed from Cuba early in November, laid the groundwork for the Instituo Cultural Hispana-Cubana, keportedly, he obtained the money for this group from rich Spanish residents in Habana. The activities of the group will be inaugurated in the near future. Comment. While Ruiz Jimenez was in Cuba, all of his expenses were paid by the Cuban Ministry of State. At this time, the Minister of State was Rafael Conzalez Munoz, whose ambition is to become the first Amhassador of Cuba to Spain, if and when Cuba designates an Amoassador. Ruiz Jimenez, because of his newly acquired eminence and knowledge of the Latin American countries, will soon be designated as Ambassador of Spain to the Watican.)
- 4. On 27 November 1948, Dr. Francisco D. Cosio, formerly Director of the newspaper ABC and of the Museo Nacional de Escultura de Espana (National Museum of Spanish Sculpture) in Madrid, arrived in Cuba in connection with the establishment of the Instituto Cultural Hispana-Cubana. Cosio, whose alleged purpose is to spread Spanish culture, has expressed the desire to travel to the United States in order to spread his propaganda among the Spanish speaking people in California,

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